

MAY 14, 2018

Responsibilities

Drawing, Eric Lodge; Words, Walt Waggener; Pledge, Nate Cobb; Door Greeter, Tina Ray; Guest Ambassador, Maureen Simons; Reporter, Yvonne Finocchiaro Editor, Yvonne Finocchiaro

TODAY'S PROGRAM MY SECRET (SERVICE) LIFE, MELANIE BURKHOLDER

May 21: Community Service Charity Recognition, Julie Baker

May 28: DARK

June 4: "Stop the Bleed," Trauma Research Education Foundation

June 11: TBD June 18: TBD

June 25: DARK for Demotion Dinner on June 29

July 2: DARK

OTHER EVENTS

May 17: Raising Readers with Rotary, May 17-18—Rick Grove

June 4: District Governor's Dinner, LaJolla Marriott, 4240 LJ Village Drive, 5:30pm

June 29: Demotion Dinner, 6pm, Sheraton—**Dawn Van Siclen**Sept 8: 5th Annual Carlsbad Brewfest, Noon-5pm—**JR Phillips**Oct 6: Carlsbad Oktoberfest, Noon-10pm—**Phil Urbina**

MEETING OF MAY 7, 2018

Welcome: President David Harrison convened the meeting, and Vince Ponce led the pledge. Stan Prowse, accompanied by Bob Kreisberg and Harry Peacock, led the club in *The Star Spangled Banner* and *Hot Time in the Old Town Tonight*. Estela Mitrani provided Words: quotes from *Star Wars* that can apply to our everyday lives, in honor of May 4, known here and far, far away as Star Wars Day—*May the 4th be With You!*



District Conference: Pres. David talked about coming events/activities and recognized Joy and Stan Prowse, Maureen Simons, Wendy Wiegand and Dawn Van Siclen who attended the District Conference at Knotts Berry Farm the weekend prior.

RI Honors: Janice Kurth (left), past district governor and current district Rotary Foundation chair, presented the club with two Rotary International recognition banners. Carlsbad Hi-Noon was recognized with the 100 percent Foundation Giving Club Award and with the

Every Rotarian Every Year Award, both for 2016-2017. **Mimi Gaffey**, the club's Rotary Foundation chair, noted that "this club is so generous that we have anonymous members who award Paul Harris fellowships to other members."

WHO AM I? — Nate Cobb



Nate Cobb was born in Minneapolis, MN, growing up in the suburbs where he enjoyed sports and lake activities, and later attending college. He married his wife in 1960, and they have four grown children. In 1963, he joined the US Navy where he became a pilot, training at Pensacola, FL, and in Texas. He mentioned being based at Brunswick, Maine. He enjoyed flying but he didn't like the long times gone from home and his young children and he left active duty in 1968. However, he loved flying so he became a pilot for Northwest Airlines. Although he is now retired, he said the airline industry

"is an incredible industry, safe and expanding—a great way to make a living."

ROTO-ROOTER — Walt Waggener

Walt Waggener teased Pat Hurley but didn't fine him. And he teased Stan Prowse for his song conducting style, also with no fine. Then he congratulated Rotarians since most made perfect introductions of their guests, but he fined Jim Brubaker \$10 because when he introduced five guests, he messed up one of those introductions. Kip McBane had a milestone birthday (70), but Waggener seemed especially miffed that McBane had violated Waggener's 40-second rule of having never met anyone from Harvard who hadn't told him, within 40 seconds, that Harvard's where he went to school—and fined him \$70. However, he rescinded that when McBane was able to say who was president when McBane was born (Truman). Bob Fenner was tapped for \$25 because a grandson just got married and for the Fenners' 50th anniversary this month. Asked the reason for such a successful marriage: "She's in charge." Mark Beardsley was tapped \$15 for significant family birthdays, Velyn Anderson for the wrong answer to how many acres in the Carlsbad Flower Fields, JR Phillips for putting something on his Facebook page Waggener doesn't understand: When It Comes To Ourselves, We Are Always The Exception.



PROGRAM On the Ground at the Las Vegas Mass Shooting CPD Sgt. Mike Ernst

Carlsbad Police Capt. Mick Williams introduced CPD Sgt. Mike Ernst, noting Ernst has been on the department's SWAT team and has trained officers in defense tactics. However, what happened Oct. 1, 2017, at a three-day country music festival in Las

Vegas was something very new—and totally horrible. Ernst was there with his wife and friends, including other police officers, sitting in the front rows in stands near the stage, but placed off to one side. Directly in front of the stage was a grassy area, filled with fans. It was the third and final day of the festival and nearing the end, about 10 p.m. when the first shots were fired toward the crowd. Ernst said they were few and spaced apart and he wondered about fireworks. The crowd got a bit unsettled, he said, but no one panicked. Then a volley of shots rang out with a hail of bullets coming down on the crowd, mostly those in the grassy area. Fire, reload, fire, reload. . . for 10-15 minutes, terror spread through the crowd as everyone tried to get away. Some not hit by bullets were injured in the scramble. Some, with major injuries, ran towards where Ernst and his group were, even though some bullets were coming there. Ernst, who had determined the shooter was up high, firing from the Mandalay Bay, said everyone was low-crawling between the rows of seats to get away. He kept hearing people he knew, including his wife, shout out, "I'm hit!" When the shooter was reloading, that's when Ernst told them all to belly-crawl out and run—and that's when he got separated from his wife. Phone calls went unanswered. The bullets ended, and he and another police officer who had been with Ernst in the stands went to try to help those sprawled on the grass, but most could not be helped. It was a horrific scene. When it was all over, there were 58 dead (not including the shooter, killed by police) and more than 500 injured, the worst active-shooter event in US history. Ernst was able to meet up with his wife and others in the group at one of the casinos, only to have someone run through the doors, yelling (incorrectly) that a shooter was coming, starting a new panic. He didn't detail any injuries they might have had. Ernst said Carlsbad PD will be offering public training sessions on how to survive a mass casualty event soon. Pres. David reminded everyone that the June 4 meeting program will be "Stop the Bleed" with information about what you can do in an active-shooter situation. The program provided by the Trauma Research Education Fdn.

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